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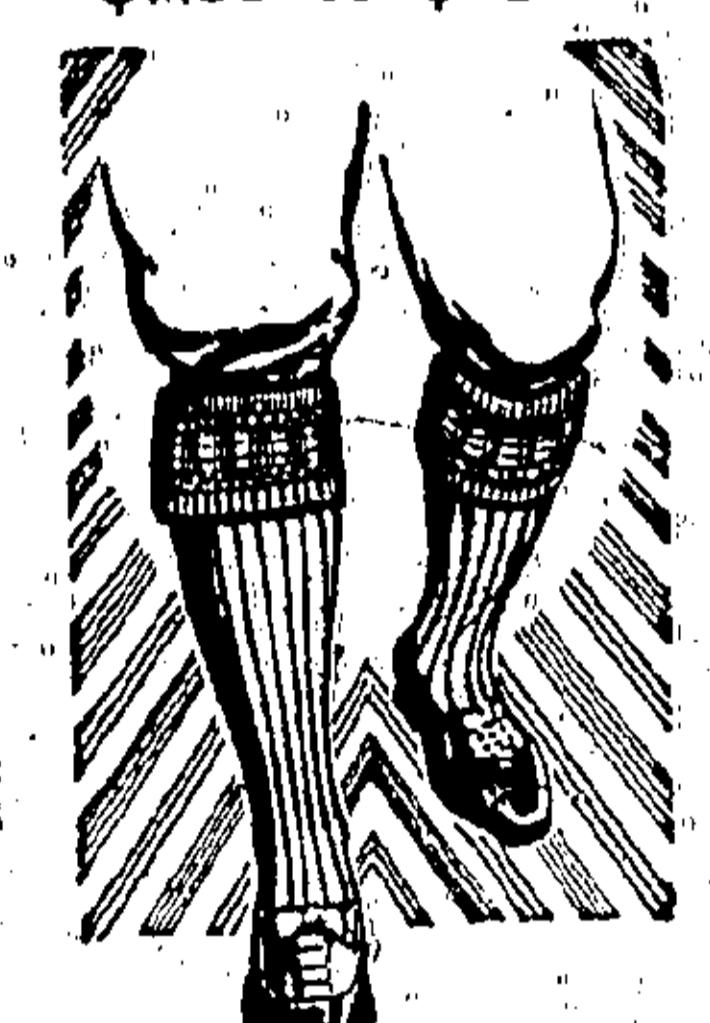


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### BOYCOTT & TAXES.

#### NEW LEVY AS PRIMARY OBJECT.

Facilitating the Settlement.

#### TARIFF CONFERENCE PROPOSAL NOW MADE PUBLIC.

In the absence of further information from Canton, speculation has arisen as to the construction to be placed on the two communiques from Canton with regard to the termination of the boycott.

An article in Thursday's "Canton Gazette" throws light on an intriguing situation but readers who wish to read between the lines must come to their own conclusions.

As it is worded, the introduction to this article in our contemporary indicates that publication is with the approval of the authorities, if not actually at their request.

This point is brought up for a purpose. Not long after the strike began, the Nationalist Government was asked if official recognition was accorded the Strike Executive, the query being based more or less on statements in the "Gazette." A categorical denial followed.

Quite recently came the two historic despatches. On September 18, Mr. Eugene Chen wrote to the acting British Consul-General that arrangements have been made to end the boycott.... (in the same sentence, without any punctuation) and that the proper Chinese authorities will levy.... &c.

The question that presented itself was: Is the settlement contingent upon these fiscal conditions being put into effect?

#### The Second Communiqué.

On September 22 the Foreign Office issued the second document which said "arrangements have been made with the Strike Committee for the termination of the boycott."

In the very next paragraph, the communiqué says: "To what extent this step will lead to a restoration of Chinese-British trade relations must depend on British policy and action and on British comprehension of Chinese Nationalism, its ideas and force as a principle of energy in the work of unifying and modernising China."

This qualification is perhaps too broad to define in the space of even a volume. The question that one asks is: If the boycott ends, on what exactly does restoration of trade depend? On British policy generally, or on any specific point?

Mystery no Longer. The "Canton Gazette" is explicit. It says: "In view of the Government's intention to levy a special tax... for the primary object of facilitating the settlement of the anti-British strike...."

Unless there is a misunderstanding, the only construction to place on this statement—which, as pointed out, appears to bear the inspiration of Nationalist Government—is that the new taxes are a measure towards settlement. As the tax has yet formally to be put in force through the agency of the Chinese Maritime Customs (as stated), the primary object to facilitate the settlement of the strike has not yet been achieved.

The hoped-for withdrawal of the pickets, the resumption of communications and the return to normal conditions may or may not be separate issues.

#### Collection by Customs.

It is also interesting to note that a secondary object of the special levy is that it "may serve as a preliminary to the abolition of likin."

Several months ago, the Tariff Conference made certain proposals.

The then British Consul-General in Canton, Sir James W. Jamieson, wrote to Dr. C. C. Wu (who was Mr. Eugene Chen's predecessor at the Foreign Ministry) on March 29. At that time, of course, Canton had not mentioned the settlement of the boycott nor the new taxes.

Sir James's communication, enclosing the draft of the proposals, related only to suggested reforms in China's tariff, with a view to abolishing likin.

### BOMBARD THREAT.

#### Canton Stand Against Allies.

#### 25,000 PICKED TROOPS MOVE.

Seige of Wuchang to be Raised in a Week?

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

Each day brings fresh indications of further progress by Marshal Sun Chuan-fang in his advance on Wuchang and Hankow. The Allies are moving westwards from Lake Taiyeh, both on land and river.

They threaten to bombard Huangchow immediately should the southerners bar their way.

It seems that the Cantonese are concentrating at Huangchow to prevent Sun Chuan-fang getting into Wuchang.

Whereas, the Nationalists have been able to send up 6,000 men withdrawn from the north of Hankow, the Allies are pouring 25,000 picked troops on this point.

At Tungshan, the 7th southern Army failed to hold its ground and is retreating.

Elsewhere, the southerners are at the most holding their own or shortening their lines.

Experts predict that Sun Chuan-fang will have raised the siege of Wuchang and captured Hanyang by a week.

How Tide is Turning.

Peking, Oct. 1.

That the tide is beginning to turn against the southerners with regard to the military situation in Hupeh and Kiangsi seems to be indicated by the latest telegrams from foreign sources now reaching Peking.

Hankow messages, dated Sept. 29, state that there is ample evidence that Marshal Sun Chuan-fang's troops are approaching Hankow from the north of the Yangtze.

They have already reached Hanyang, 40 miles below Hankow.

Southerners' View.

Large bodies of Kiangsu-ites have been seen in the vicinity of Taiyeh Lake, at which the Cantonese are stated to have suffered a severe reverse.

Indications point to this force moving westward towards the Hankow-Canton Railway and thence from the north-west towards Wuchang.

The southern military and civil authorities at Hankow appear to be much less optimistic with regard to the situation.—Reuter.

#### REPORTS BY MAIL.

Electric Mines Used at Yochow.

The following are the latest amplified war reports to hand by mail:

Shanghai, Sept. 28.

The approach to Yochow on the way to Changsha has been mined, a few small mines of about 200 lb. having been laid in the channel between the Custom House and the Bluff at Chenglin Harbour—the port of Yochow. Two miles were fired off by way of impressing the inhabitants. They are electrically fired from shore, and as far as can be ascertained, are buried to indicate their position.

The northern troops are reported to be coming down along the railway line. — "N. C. Daily News."

That Nanchang Bluff.

Shanghai, Sept. 28.

Our informant states that the truth of the Nanchang affair has been established at last, and that

to the Provincial Authorities concerned in accordance with the destination of the goods as shown on the transit pass...

In order to complete the abolition of likin and remove the obstacles and delays to trade which result from the existence of this system of taxation it will still remain for the Provincial Authorities to do away with all barriers, receiving in return for the abandonment of their likin collections on goods of every description their due share of the entire likin Compensation Fund to be distributed amongst the Provinces. ....

[Note the term "it will still remain for the Provincial Authorities to do away with all barriers."]

### BURGLARY SEQUEL.

#### \$10,000 PAWNSHOP HAUL ECHO.

#### 3 MEN ARRESTED.

As a sequel to the burglary at a pawnshop in Queen's Road, near the Central Market, when money and valuables to the value of \$10,000 was taken, three men have been arrested.

One of the arrested men is a fok whom it is alleged provided impressions of the keys of the establishment. The other two are alleged to have been active participants in the robbery.

It is understood that the men will be charged on Monday.

### TILL OCTOBER 10.

#### Boycott Settlement Latest.

#### SUPPORT FOR DIPLOMACY.

Strike Chief Asks Government for Funds.

An important meeting has been held at Canton in connection with the proposed settlement of the boycott.

Mr. Eugene Chen, Mr. T. V. Soong (Finance Minister), and Mr. So Shiu-ching (Chairman of the Strike Executive), took part in the discussion.

Mr. Chen was reported to have advocated resumption of communications on the date fixed so as to support "important diplomatic relations."

Mr. So is said to have asked the Government what funds will be provided to demobilise the strikers.

It was ultimately agreed that the Foreign and Finance Ministers take the matter in hand.

Government Attitude.

A meeting of the Executive of the Kuomintang party is announced for October 10, presumably to discuss the boycott settlement.

It is expected that one section of the party will raise strenuous objections but the Government is reported to be firm in its attitude.

There is little or no change to report from Canton or other stations.

When the "Lungshan" arrived in Hong Kong yesterday there were nearly 2,000 Chinese on the Praya waiting to hear the latest news.

Mr. Eugene Chen is reported elsewhere to have declared that the boycott cannot end until Oct. 10 and that this will be effective only if there are no reprisals.

A vernacular paper states that two "outside" river steam boats will be running between Hong Kong and Canton in about five weeks.

### OVERCAST.

#### WITH OCCASIONAL RAIN.

#### WEEK-END FORECAST.

East winds, fresh, overcast, occasional rain: is the forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon tomorrow.

Pressure has decreased considerably over N. E. Japan. It has increased moderately over S. E. Japan and slightly over E. and S. China.

It is nearly stationary over the Philippine Islands.

Moderate fresh monsoon may be expected along the South East coast of China and over the N. China sea.

#### TO-DAY'S WEDDING.

#### TO TAKE PLACE AT THE CATHEDRAL.

The wedding is fixed for this afternoon at 3 p.m. (St. John's Cathedral), of Miss Winifred Suckling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Suckling of Walthamstow, London, and Mr. Percy J. Austin, of the Chinese Maritime Customs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Austin, of Leyton, London.

Messrs. Pearson, Mackie & Co. have been appointed auditors under the Companies Ordinances.

His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinance:—Ordinance No. 8 of 1926.—An Ordinance to authorise the Bank of Canton Limited to convert its gold capital into silver.

Further Disagreement.

Hankow, Sept. 24.

Wuchang is still holding out. The proposed evacuation of women and children has not yet eventuated, further disagreement having arisen between the rival parties.

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## INTERESTING LEGAL EVENTS.

The admission to the Bar of the Straits Settlements of Mr. K. A. Seth, which took place before Mr. Justice Deane, recently, has more than the usual degree of interest which the periodical additions to the legal fraternity of the Colony possess by reason of the fact that Mr. Seth has joined the firm of Messrs. Sisson and Delay, with which firm his father, Mr. E. L. Seth, who is managing clerk, has been connected for more than thirty years. Mr. Seth joined the firm when it was started by Mr. A. J. Sisson and Mr. J. A. Delay in 1897, at a time when Mr. Donaldson, Mr. Burkinshaw, and Mr. Napier, among other well-known lawyers of the past, were practising there.

In admitting Mr. Seth his lordship remarked that he had admitted several new members to the Bar of the Colony recently and Mr. Seth would probably find that there was keen competition. Singapore, however, was a growing place, and there was no doubt, room for everybody. There was also plenty of room at the top, and having reached the top he would find the air there quite nice.

Mr. K. A. Seth, it may be added, was educated in Singapore, at St. Joseph's.

## CONFUCIUS DAY.

## HONG KONG OBSERVANCES TO-MORROW.

## GENERAL HOLIDAY.

This year has been a marked tendency towards observing Confucius Day, which falls on the 27th day of the 8th moon (tomorrow), as a general holiday. It seems as if the time is not far distant when the anniversary of the birth of China's most famous sage—although not ranking in one of the four big festivals—will take second place to New Year's Day in the round of Chinese festivities in Hong Kong.

It is estimated that more than half the shops in the colony will be closed to-morrow, whereas in previous years only a small percentage observed the day.

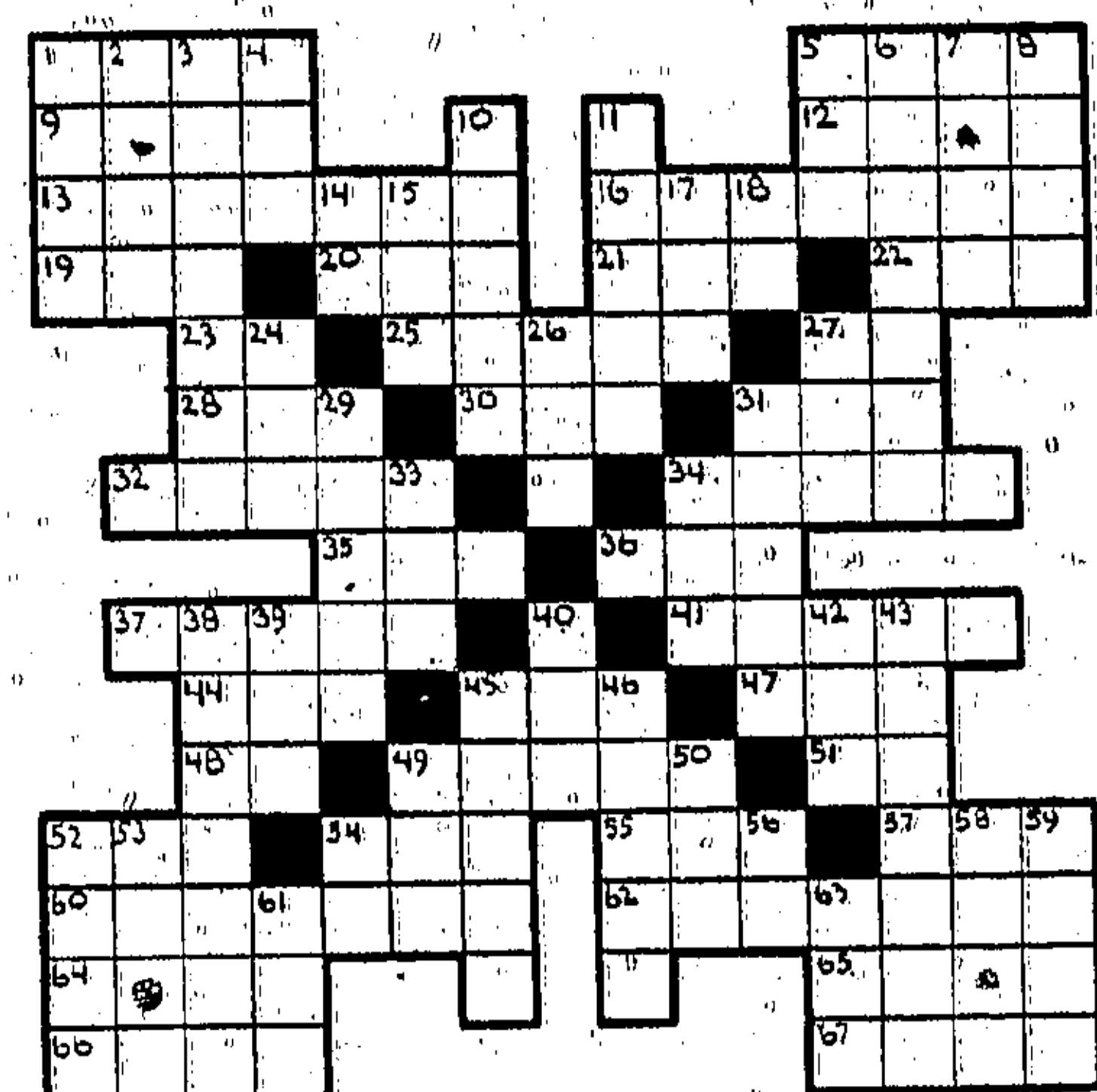
The local Confucian Societies will hold meetings, with speeches from the society's officials, and the customary dramatic show. Nearly all the schools attended by Chinese students will have a day off and some of the schools have arranged their own celebration, a number will have a holiday on Monday in lieu of to-morrow.

Do not forget—the Chinese barbers will not be working to-morrow.

Probably the recent expansion of the labour movement in Hong Kong has helped towards making the day a general holiday as employers have had to yield to guild requests for cessation from work.

## OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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## HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

1-To infold;  
2-Eskimo settlement;  
3-N. W. Greenland;  
4-Desire with expectation;  
12-Three things together;  
13-Being in neutral equilibrium;  
14-To cut off;  
15-A golf term;  
20-Girl's name;  
21-Conjunction;  
22-Cents (abbr.);  
23-A scrub land;  
24-In some measure;

25-A sportive child;  
26-Personal pronoun;  
27-Interjection; Blague;

30-One (German);

31-Policeman (slang);

32-To magnify;

34-Capital of Tibet;

35-An inset;

37-A sun-dried brick;

4-A vegetable;

4-D'And so forth';

4-A large muscle of (abbr.);

4-A small owl;

45-Disprove; refute;

49-Night bird;

50-Part; Apart;

53-Quiet's name;

54-A degree (abbr.);

55-A day of the week (abbr.);

56-Basis;

58-System (abbr.);

61-Suffix. Same as "our".

63-Prefix. Away.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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CELEBES MARU . . . . . Thursday, 14th October.

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MONDAY . . . . . Wednesday, 20th October.

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SEATON MARU . . . . . Monday, 25th October.

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ANDES MARU . . . . . Friday, 15th October.

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KAHO MARU . . . . . Sunday, 3rd October noon.

HOZAN MARU . . . . . Sunday, 10th October noon.

TAKAO via SWATOW &amp; AMoy.

KOTSU MARU . . . . . Wednesday, 6th October noon.

TAKAO and KEELUNG.

BATAVIA MARU . . . . . Monday, 25th October.

DAIREN via CHEFOU and TSINGTAU.

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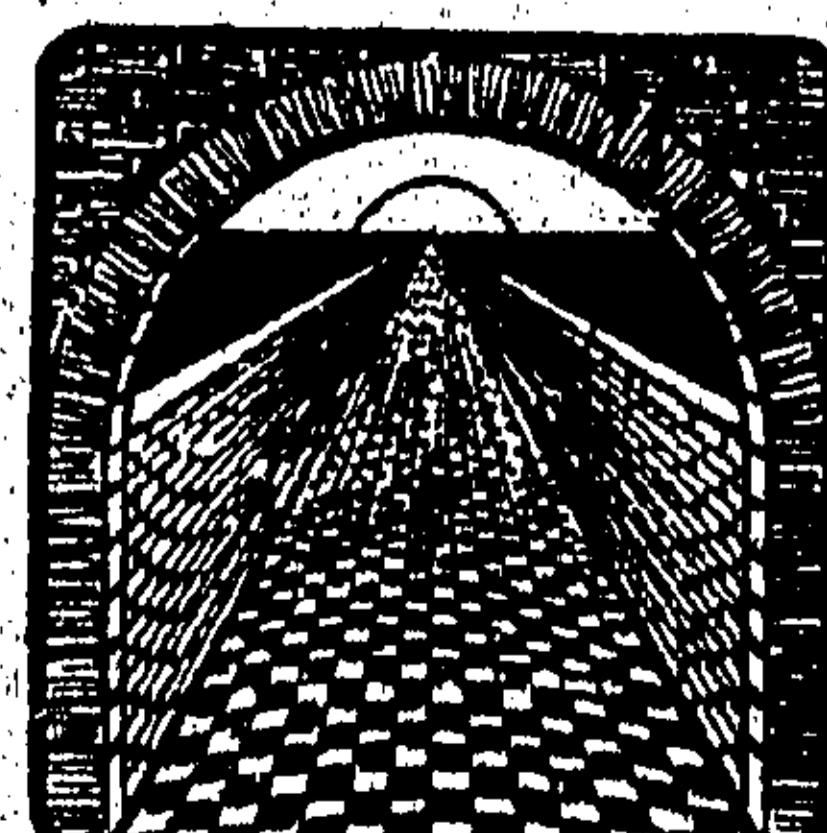
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## SHIPPING SECTION.

## SHIPPING NOTES.

## VESSELS FROM FAR AND WAR.

## LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

The Nippon "Yueh Kalsha" steamer "Awa Maru" encountered stormy weather on her way here from Singapore. She brought 650 tons of cargo mostly consisting of cotton for discharge here. The "Awa Maru" arrived yesterday at 5 p.m. from Bombay and will sail for Japan this afternoon.

The local office of the C.P.R. has been advised that the R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" left Vancouver on September 30 for Hong Kong via ports and is due here on October 18.

Coming from Manila, the s.s. "West Caldera" arrived yesterday afternoon and brought 200 tons of cargo and 48 bags of Manila mail for Hong Kong. She has also on board 4,000 tons of cargo for ports beyond. She will sail for San Francisco after loading cargo from here.

The s.s. "Araura" of the Eastern and Australian line left Manila to-day for Hong Kong and is due here on Monday at daylight from Australia.

With a cargo of 3,600 tons consisting of lumber, the s.s. "Mau Sang" of the Indo-China S.N. Co. arrived yesterday afternoon from Sandakan. She will sail back for Sandakan on October 12.

From Antwerp and Singapore the Japanese steamer "Cape Town Maru" arrived yesterday and brought 318 tons of cargo for Hong Kong. The "Cape Town Maru" experienced very rough weather on her way here from Singapore.

The s.s. "Kaying" of the China Navigation Co. Ltd. arrived yesterday at 6 p.m. from Bangkok with a cargo of 2,400 tons and mail for Hong Kong.

## Shadows Before.

## COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL"

## Entertainments.

October 2—Queen's Theatre; Douglas Fairbanks in "The Black Pirate".

October 2—World Theatre; Buster Keaton in "Three Ages".

October 2—Star Theatre; Richard Barthelmess in "Twenty-one".

October 2—The Globe Trotters' Grand Opening night at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, 8.15 p.m.

October 2—Concert by the 20th H.K. Troop of Boy Scouts in the Chinese Y.M.C.A. Hall, 8 p.m.

October 2—Repulse Bay Hotel Carnival.

October 2—Grand Gala Dinner at Cafe Restaurant Parisien, 8.30 p.m.

October 21—Grand Concert under the auspices of the Navy League.

## Sports.

October 6—Annual aquatic sports of the Victoria Recreation Club.

October 9—Fourth race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club at Happy Valley.

## Auction.

October 6—Household furniture at Lammet Bros' Sales Room, 2.30 p.m.

## Meeting.

November 5—Meeting of the Licensing Board in the Council Chamber, noon.

October 15—Annual meeting of H.K. Cricket Club, 5.30 p.m.

## Miscellaneous.

October 2—Farewell dinner at the Royal Naval Theatre, 8 p.m.

One Indian case of enteric fever (typhoid) and a Chinese case of cerebral spinal fever, both from the city, were reported to the Medical Officer of Health on Friday.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. Robert Andrew Dermott Forrest to act as Head of Sanitary Department, and Registrar of Births and Deaths, during the absence on leave of Mr. Norman Lockhart Smith, with effect from September 23.

It is notified that, at the expiration of three months from date, the On Wo Shipping Company Limited, the Chai Ying Land Investment Company Limited, and the Grand Central Trust Company Limited, will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the register and the companies will be dissolved.

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## BIRTHS.

HENSON.—On September 16, 1926,  
to Mr. and Mrs. James Sydney  
Henson, at their residence, 205,  
Caunter Hall, Penang, a daughter.

NOYLE.—At Robgill, Bogawantala  
(Ceylon), on Sept. 12, to  
Trixie, the wife of H. W. Noyle,  
a daughter.

OAKSHOTT.—On September 22,  
1926, at the Maternity Hospital,  
Singapore, to Mr. and Mrs. E. J.  
Oakshott, a daughter.

## DEATHS.

MANLEY.—On September 18, at  
the Maternity Hospital, Penang,  
Jennifer, only child of Dr. and  
Mrs. Manley, of Sungai Patani.

ROBERTSON.—On September 18,  
1926, at the European Hospital,  
Seremban, Farleigh Robertson,  
J.P., (retired Federated Malay  
States Civil Service), of Roma  
Estate, Jelebu, N.S., aged 82  
years, second son of the late  
John Hutchison Robertson,  
M.D., J.P., of Great  
King Street, Edinburgh, and  
Leonie Hill, Singapore and the  
late Mrs. Robertson, and dearly-  
loved father of F. R. Murray  
Robertson, of Roma Estate,  
Jelebu.

Hongkong, Saturday, October 2, 1926.

## A SATURDAY CLUSERIE.

There remain eight days to the  
day upon which we are assured by  
Mr. Eugene Chen that the com-  
plete removal of the boycott  
pickets and of all restrictions on  
the movement of cargo between  
Hong Kong and Canton will have  
been effected. Although it would  
be unfair to adopt as a criterion  
for the standard of sincerity of  
the assurance any happenings  
prior to that date, the reference  
in the note from Canton to the  
"probability" of pickets (and with  
them of all restrictions) being re-  
moved by the end of September  
assumes greater importance in  
view of the statement made by  
the Chinese officer in charge of  
the pickets at Samchun to the  
Customs officer there that the  
pickets had received instructions  
to leave by September 30.

The pickets have not, in fact,  
withdrawn from Samchun and in  
Canton those that had previously  
been withdrawn from Shakes  
have now returned. It is difficult  
to gauge the exact significance of  
this renewal of activities unless it  
is attributable to the functioning  
of the very human instinct to  
"make hay while the sun shines."  
If Canton is sincere in its over-

great extent. In the absence of  
a permanent supply such as the  
Shing Mun scheme, could give us  
on the island, the problem of sup-  
plying the island in the event of a  
year of acute rain shortage would  
be a serious one. Is not the matter  
so vitally important that there  
should be a re-consideration of the  
abandonment of the Shing Mun  
scheme for supplying Hong Kong?  
There was a passing reference to  
the matter in the Finance Com-  
mittee discussions this week and  
the Budget debate will provide  
our Unofficial members with a  
further opportunity of pressing  
the futility of pursuing the  
present policy of abandonment.

## SKETCH IN DUTCH.

### MRS. DICK NORTON SPEAKS ON CHINA.

#### "NOT FOR ALL THE TEA."

The Globetrotters open their  
season at the Star Theatre to-night  
and judging from the bookings  
we are in for a record season.  
Mr. Dick Norton's popular company  
promises Hong Kong theatre-goers  
an entirely new programme.

Speaking to a representative of  
the "China Mail" yesterday, Mr.  
Norton said that, in response to the  
request of a large number of  
Chinese, he would endeavour to in-  
clude an up-to-date version of his  
former great success, "The Mid-  
night Train to Alabama."

This number has been revised  
since the departure of Miss Betty  
Norton and, according to Straits  
papers to hand, is more side-splitting  
than ever.

Mr. Norton's company now  
comprises the Misses Peggy  
James (soubrette), Billie Conway  
(soprano), and Gladys Cathie (ball-  
room and specialty dancer). On  
the male side, Mr. Norton is sup-  
ported by Messrs. Lee Crooker  
(light comedian) Ralph Lynne  
(who partners Miss Cathie and  
appears in a number of solo num-  
bers), and "Bucky" Morris (ac-  
companist and solo pianist).

*Laugh in Wrong Place.*

Mrs. Dick Norton (Miss Lolla  
Forbes), who has been on a visit  
to New Zealand, is due in the  
Colony on Friday next when she  
will rejoin the company.

Interviewed recently by the  
Sydney "Sun," Mrs. Norton said "I  
would not live out here if you gave  
me all the tea in China" and went  
on to reveal something which will  
come as something in the nature of a  
surprise to her many friends in  
Hong Kong.

To quote the "Sun": "Their ver-  
satility is such that they translate  
their sketches into Dutch when  
occasion demands." "Very bad  
Dutch, I'm afraid," said Mrs.  
Norton laughingly. "The audience  
roars in the wrong place, of course,  
at our mistakes and not at our  
humour. But, still, they love us."

## BUS SQUABBLE.

### EUROPEAN TO PAY \$10 COMPENSATION.

#### STRUCK A CHINESE.

Finding that a charge against  
Capt. Weston, of the ss. "Ling  
Nam," of assaulting a Chinese had  
been proved, Mr. J. H. B. Nihill,  
at the Kowloon Magistracy, yes-  
terday, ordered Capt. Weston to  
pay \$10 compensation owing to  
the Chinese in question having  
been put to considerable expense  
and loss of dignity.

The case arose out of an in-  
cident which occurred on one of  
the Kowloon Motor Bus Co.'s vehicles  
leading to a charge of  
assault against the Chinese being  
brought by Mr. T. S. Jeffreys who  
in turn brought counter-summons  
against Mr. Jeffreys and  
Capt. Weston.

Capt. Weston and Mr. Jeffreys  
were passengers in the same bus  
on Sept. 14 when the Chinese, who  
is an employee of the Telephone  
Company, got into the bus and (it  
was alleged by the two European  
passengers) dropped a coil of rope  
about the feet of Capt. Weston.  
Words followed between the two  
European passengers and the  
Chinese and, according to Capt.  
Weston, the Chinese, when asked  
by him to produce his ticket, refused  
to do so, eventually producing  
it and "flashing it across"  
his (Capt. Weston's) face.

An Indian constable who boarded  
the bus in the course of the dis-  
pute, in reply to the bus driver,  
said that the Chinese produced his  
ticket in the ordinary way and did  
not flounce it in the face of Capt.  
Weston. He saw Capt. Weston  
strike the Chinese who in turn hit  
the captain.

His Honor found that despite  
what Capt. Weston had been  
told, but not against Mr.  
Jeffreys and ordered him to pay  
compensation as stated above.

## CORRESPONDENCE

### CELEBRATING END OF THE BOYCOTT.

#### CHINESE FIRECRACKERS.

To the Editor of the "China Mail."

Sir.—Can you please inform me  
if the firecrackers let off in town  
yesterday by Chinese were in  
celebration of the end of the boy-  
cott? From what I see in your  
esteemed journal, the boycott still  
exists. If my supposition is cor-  
rect then our Chinese friends  
must have been a little pre-  
mature.

It struck me that no matter if  
the Chinese were right or not, it  
is a jolly good idea. I notice one  
enterprising house of entertain-  
ment putting on a special pro-  
gramme to celebrate so that when  
the proper time does come we  
should all get in as well to show  
our good feelings for Canton.

I trust influential residents will  
support the idea to have a general  
holiday on the occasion with be-  
coming festivities.

Yours etc.,

FOREIGNER.

Hong Kong, Oct. 1.

[Editor's Note: Yesterday was

observed by some as the festival  
of the "Sun-God"—hence the fire-  
crackers which, as far as we  
know, are not attributable to the  
promised settlement of the boy-  
cott. Chinese ladies observe the  
day by worshipping and, incidentally,  
firing crackers. We think our  
correspondent will agree that his  
proposal of a holiday will have a  
better reception after October 10.

Shopkeepers in Canton, how-  
ever, intend having a fish lantern  
procession "three days after the  
settlement" to celebrate.]

## LOCAL AUCTION RINGS.

To the Editor of the "China Mail."

Sir.—I beg to thank C. A. R.  
for his second explanation. He  
has convinced me to a great ex-  
tent but small doubts still linger  
in my mind.

Thanking you for inserting my  
letters,

Yours etc.,

M. W.

Hong Kong, Oct. 2.

## INVENTION & INSTINCT.

To the Editor of the "China Mail."

Sir.—It is surprising to learn  
that the world's qualified women  
air pilots number no more than  
twenty-two. China, strangely  
enough, claims four of these  
against Britain's two. Women, it  
is only too evident, are even slower  
than men to take to flying. Yet  
has it not been said that women  
have the makings of ideal air-  
men?

One of the most curious fea-  
tures of the first quarter of the  
twentieth century is our tardy de-  
velopment of the air sense. It  
cannot be mere flight, because the  
British do unfalteringly far riskier  
things than flying—crossing a  
traffic-crowded street at night for  
instance. There is some other  
reason in psychology for it, and it  
may be found in horror of the  
utter isolation which surmounts  
through the air involves. We  
all affect to desire escape from the  
"maddening crowd," but it is  
largely affection.

We dread, in fact, being cut off from our fel-  
lows. The invention of flying has  
outstripped the instinct—how far  
Britain's solitary two air-  
women sufficiently attest. Per-  
haps some of your readers will  
venture their opinion upon this  
subject?

Yours etc.,

MONITOR.

Hong Kong, Oct. 1, 1926.

## OBITUARY.

### MR. JAMES STEWART.

Shanghai, September 23.—One of  
the oldest and most respected of  
members of the marine engineering  
profession in Shanghai, Mr.  
James Stewart, died suddenly on  
Thursday night, September 23,  
from heart failure. Mr. Stewart  
was 62 years of age, received  
his early training at the famous  
Denny works, Dumbarton, and  
came to Shanghai 30 years ago.

He became associated with the  
China Merchants' S. N. Co. im-  
mediately on arrival and remained  
in that company's employ till the  
time of his

## COBHAM HOME.

GREAT WELCOME ON THE THAMES.

## MEMORABLE SCENES.

London, October 1.  
Cobham arrived at Westminster at 2.15 p.m.—Reuter.

## Tremendous Cheering.

London, Oct. 1.

A vast gathering of people lined both sides of the Thames at Westminster, being reminiscent of Boat Race days, to welcome Mr. Cobham. There were tremendous outbursts of cheering as he passed and repassed Parliament Houses prior to landing at the spot facing the Houses of Parliament.

Amid a deafening din a motor dinghy alongside the seaplane brought Mr. Cobham to the Speaker's steps, where he was greeted by the Speaker of the House of Commons, Mrs. Cobham (who was dressed in black and white), Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary of State for Air, Sir W. S. Brancier, the fiance of Sergeant Ward, and the wife and small daughter of the mechanic, Mr. Capel.

The Speaker and Mr. Cobham's wife descended the steps to the water's edge, where the airmen embraced his wife and general congratulations followed.

## Mail from Australia.

The mechanics came up in a second launch, Mr. Cobham—with out a hat and wearing his old dilapidated dungaree—worn throughout the journey—helping them to land. They were still carrying a special mail from the Governor-General of Australia to the Secretary of State for the Colonies and message to His Majesty the King.

A huge Union Jack and the Dominions flags were flown from the walls of the Houses of Parliament.

## Official Welcome.

An official welcome was held in the Speaker's garden, Sir Samuel Hoare congratulating the airmen on his feat. He sympathetically referred to the mechanic, Elliott, who was shot on the outward flight.

Sir Charles Wakefield, who partly financed the flight, also paid a tribute to Mr. Cobham.

In responding, the airmen emphasised that the flight was not a stunt but was intended to find out what they could do, and they found out a lot. He eulogised his crew, and hoped that the British people would realise the importance of flying.

His Majesty sent a message to Mr. Cobham cordially welcoming him home and heartily congratulating him in the successful termination of an historic flight.

## 28,000 Miles Covered.

At the conclusion of the speeches Mr. Cobham delivered the mail from Australia.

Mr. Cobham covered a total of 28,000 miles, his flying time being 320 hours. The machine used was a De Havilland built in 1923 and was the same as Cobham flew in last year to South Africa and back.—Reuter.

## A GREAT OCCASION.

## "Pilot Pioneer of the Empire."

Rugby, Oct. 1.

Mr. Alan Cobham's great flight to Australia and back ended to-day when, in the presence of immense crowds of Londoners on the embankments and buildings on both sides of the river, his seaplane alighted on the Thames opposite the Houses of Parliament.

The weather conditions were ideal, and the sun was shining brightly when a roar of cheering announced that the machine was in sight.

Flying at low altitude Mr. Cobham followed the course of the river to Hammersmith, and, on returning, circled twice over Westminster before gliding down to make perfect contact with the river.

The machine was quickly moored, and Mr. Cobham, followed by his mechanics, was brought by a motor launch to the Terrace of the Houses of Parliament.

The Terrace was crowded with distinguished gathering—Cabinet Ministers, Peers, and Members of Parliament with their ladies. India was represented by the Maharajah of Burwan, who is here to attend the Imperial Conference, and another noteworthy personage present was Prince Feisal, heir of the King of Hedjaz.

On a raised platform sat those who were to take a more immediate part in the reception. In the centre was Sir Samuel Hoare, Air Minister, with Mrs. Cobham on his left. Others included Air-Marshal Sir Sefton Brancier, Sir Ronald Waterhouse (representing the Prime Minister), Mr. J. H. Whitley, Speaker of the House of Commons, and Sir Charles Wakefield. It was chiefly through the action of Sir Charles Wakefield, a generous supporter of British aviation, in com-

## STEEL TRUST.

## GREAT INTEREST SHOWN IN AMERICA.

## HOOVER MAKES A MOVE.

New York, Oct. 1.  
Great interest is being taken in the formation of the European Steel Trust. Mr. H. C. Hoover, Secretary for Commerce, it is reported, has ordered an investigation.

The opinion is generally expressed, however, that the new combination will not menace the American home market, but will possibly considerably influence the world market.

Mr. Gary, Chairman of the United States Steel Corporation, says he hopes that the Combine will be a great success. He thinks that its managers will be friendly toward America, whence the sentiment will certainly be reciprocated.

The spokesman of the leading manufacturers at Pittsburgh expresses the opinion that the influence of keener competition as the result of the Combine will be chiefly felt in the Far East and Latin-America, where the cheaper labour transport enjoyed by the Trust will give it an advantage.—Reuter's American Service.

## French Socialists' Anxiety.

Paris, Oct. 1.  
The Socialist leader, M. Blum, intends to interpellate the Government on the exact tenor of the Steel Convention, the conditions under which the Government controlled the negotiations, and the measures to be taken for the purpose of watching its economic and social repercussions and the possible consequences in regard to France's foreign policy.—Reuter.

## RUM PIRATES.

## BRITISH SCHOONER'S GAME FIGHT.

St. Augustine (Florida), Oct. 1.

Federal agents have arrested two men as the result of an investigation into an attack of rum-sealers on the schooner "Hazel Herman," said to be British, thirty miles from Anastasia Light on August 9.

It appears the pirates were in a powerful motor-boat and ran alongside the schooner, which was reported to be carrying liquor, and attempted to go on board.

The pirates fire seriously wounded the captain and the cook of the schooner, whose return killed a pirate and seriously wounded another, whereupon the pirates dashed off.—Reuter's American Service.

## WORLD COURT.

## AMERICA PROPOSES TO ADHERE TO IT.

Washington, Oct. 1.

It is announced that President Coolidge is ignorant of any movement in America for the withdrawal of the United States from the World Court, to which the United States proposes to adhere.—Reuter's American Service.

## 12 PASSENGERS KILLED IN AMERICA.

Dixon (California), Oct. 1.

Twelve of thirteen passengers in a motor bus were killed when it was struck by the Overland Limited, the "crack" train of the Southern Pacific railroad.—Reuter's American Service.

## BUS SMASH.

## PEKING, CHANGES.

Peking, Oct. 1.

At this afternoon's Cabinet meeting it was decided that Dr. Wellington Koo should relinquish the portfolio of Finance and overtake the Walchlaupu (Foreign Ministry) from Admiral Tsai Ting-kan, whose resignation has been accepted and, simultaneously, take charge of the Premiership. Admiral Tu Hsi-kuei remaining in the Cabinet as Navy Minister.

It is not yet settled who shall succeed Dr. Koo as Finance Minister.—Reuter.

## MOSCOW, OCTOBER 1.

M. Chernich, the Soviet Plenipotentiary representative in Latvia, has been appointed temporary substitute to M. Karakhan, the Soviet Ambassador to China, and is on his way to Peking to take up his duties.—Reuter.

## PORTUGUESE WEDDING AT CATHEDRAL.

Photo by Lee Fong.

Group photo taken after the wedding last Saturday, at the Roman Catholic Cathedral, of Mr. A. G. Pereira (of Shanghai) and Miss L. M. Rosa. The bride was attended by four bridesmaids in the Misses L. Silva, C. Garcia, C. Rodriguez and O. Azucena; and by two flower-girls in the Misses C. Rosa and P. Lira. On the extreme left is the Rev. Fr. Julio C. Rosa (of Macao), uncle of the bride, who performed the ceremony.

The duties of best man were performed by Messrs. M. P. Baptista (second from left) and M. M. Rosa.

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## BOMBARD THREAT.

(Continued from Page 1.)

General Liu Yu-chun maintains the same uncompromising attitude, apparently hoping for relief from Marshal Sun Chuan-fang, as a come-back by Marshal Wu Peifu now seems scarcely possible.

*Populace Suffers.*

Comparative quietness has been reigning for the last couple of days but this is thought to be probably the calm before the storm. Persistent rumours are afoot of attempts on a large scale to mine the city wall, colour being lent to these by the removal of large quantities of explosives from here but how a mine can be laid under the fire from the walls is not clear.

Owing to the absence of word from inside the city, nothing definite is known regarding the conditions obtaining in Wuchang but the populace by now, it is feared, must be suffering greatly from lack of food and supplies.

*Evacuation Impossible.*

Hankow, Sept. 24.

Generals Chen Chia-mo and Liu Yu-chun, who are still in Wuchang, insist that the women and children refugees in the city should be registered before they are allowed to leave for Hankow.

General Tang Sun-tze, upon receiving reports to the effect that the remnant of Marshal Wu Peifu troops have planned to relieve

Generals Chen and Liu in the near future, has ordered a strict blockade around the city, thus making it practically hopeless to relieve the refugees.

*Dying of Starvation.*

A part of General Fan Chung-shao's troops passed here for Wuchang, to participate in an attack upon the city. Hundreds of people within the city walls are dying from starvation. Efforts to relieve them having proved failures, several proposals have been made to accelerate the attack in order to reduce the number of deaths as far as possible.

Not a few requests of this nature have been presented to the Revolutionary Headquarters during the last two days.—*"Kub Wen."*

*Resumption Likely.*

It is not undoubted that a large section of the responsible unofficial classes are anxiously awaiting the settlement.

Latest news will be found elsewhere in this issue.

The following paragraphs are translations from the Canton vernacular press:

The representatives of foreign firms, who had left Shamen on the commencement of the strike, are now beginning to return to Shamen, as relations between Canton and Shamen are likely to be resumed after the termination of the strike.

On Sept. 27 the Municipal Council of Shamen finally cancelled all martial law restrictions and published a special notice that henceforth boats may anchor off Shamen and land passengers, says a Chinese news-agency report.

The Hong Kong government since the commencement of the Hong Kong-Canton Strike have put an embargo on silver exported out of Hong Kong. It was stipulated that no one leaving Hong Kong could take more than H.K. \$5. This limit was raised subsequently to \$50. Now all restrictions are cancelled.

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## BRITISH GUIANA.

## PARLIAMENTARY COMMISSION APPOINTED.

## ECONOMIC ENQUIRY.

Rugby, Oct. 1.

The Secretary of State for Colonies, Mr. L. M. S. Amery, has appointed a Parliamentary Commission consisting of Mr. Roy Williams and Mr. H. Snell, Member of Parliament, with Mr. R. A. Sedgwick, Assistant Principal of the Colonial Office, as Secretary, to

visit British Guiana.

Obviously a translation, a circular on "Severance of Economic Relations" is published.

After referring to the incidents of (Shanghai) May 30 and (Shankee) June 23 of last year and the recent action by the British Navy against the pickets, the circular says about the peace conference of July—the Hong Kong Government declined to accept even the lowest terms proposed by the Nationalist Government and, in their place, put forth aggressive demands; thus bringing the negotiations to a standstill.

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## WHAT THEY SAY.

September 30 being the day mentioned by Mr. Eugene Chen as the date on which the boycott would be most probably terminated, it is interesting to observe that there is no reference in that day's "Canton Gazette" to the possible withdrawal of the pickets.

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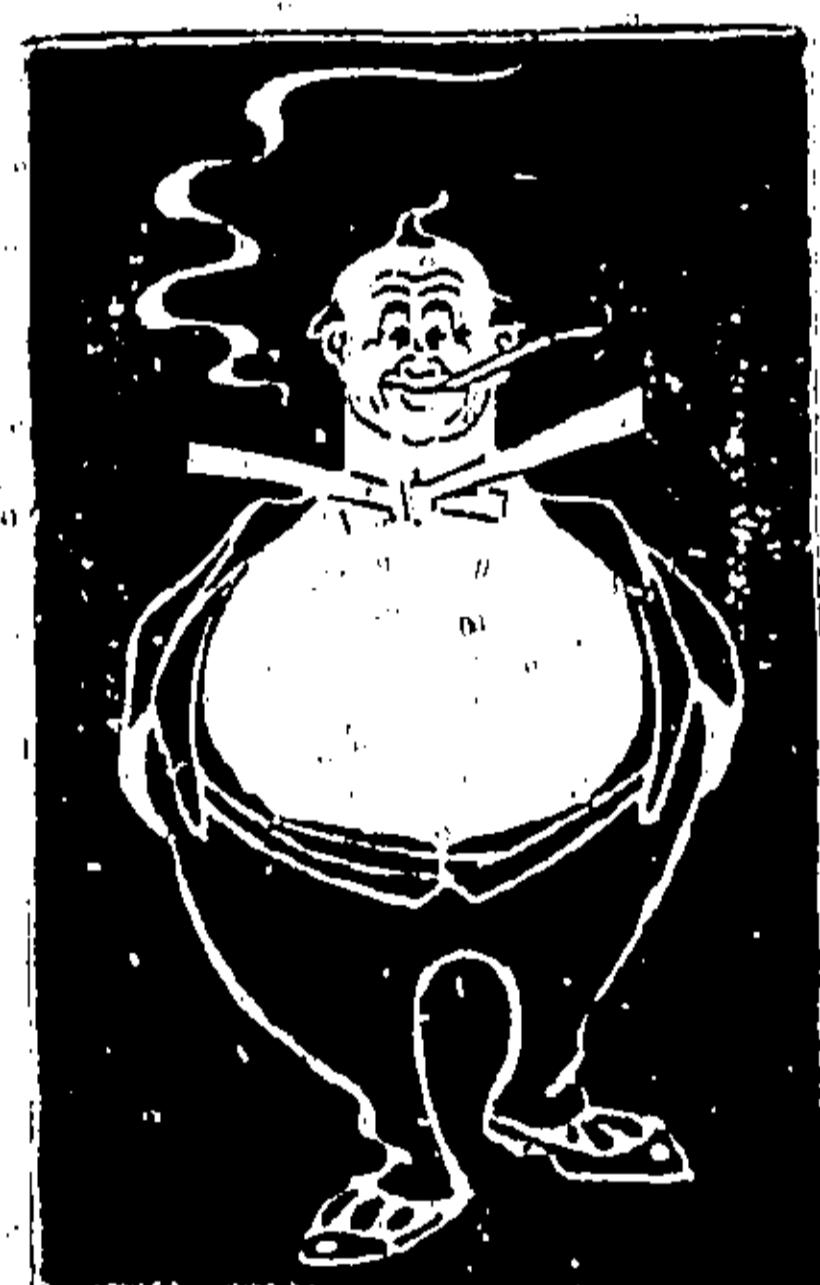
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## LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Lighting-up time to-day and tomorrow is at 8.15 p.m. and 8.30 p.m. respectively.

To-morrow is the anniversary of the birth (27th day of 8th moon) of Confucius, China's national sage.

A meeting of the Licensing Board has been advertised for Nov. 5, at 12 noon, in the Council Chamber, to consider applications for licences.

The Great Northern Telegraph Co., notified that for telegrams to Shanghai and beyond, normal working, has been re-established.

Household furniture, black-wood ware, a piano etc. will be sold by Messrs. Lammert Bros. at their Duddell Street auction rooms at 2.30 p.m. on Wednesday.

It has been found impracticable to continue the weekly launch trips to Stonecutters' Island, under the auspices of the Esso Club, owing to the extensive damage caused by the storm this week at the bathing beach.

At 5.30 p.m. on Friday, October 15, the Hong Kong Cricket Club will hold their annual meeting, after which 100 debentures in the Club will be drawn for redemption. The announcement "proper" will be made on Monday.

London, Sept. 13.—Presiding at the Conference called to discuss practical means to expand foreign trade and encourage Japanese investments in enterprises abroad, Baron Shidehara pointed out that the South Seas and India hitherto had been insufficiently exploited, consequently it was now considered, in view of their geographic proximity to Japan and the significant role they would play in the world's economic life, that they necessitated special attention.

Kandy, Sept. 14.—Last night at Ampitiya a mahout was killed by his elephant. It appears that at midnight the elephant was being taken to Gampola. One keeper rode on the elephant, while another walked by the animal's side. Suddenly the animal became troublesome and threw the man on its back. The man was trampled by the animal and killed instantaneously, but it is not clear whether this act was deliberate. This animal is said to have been responsible for more than one death during the past few years.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. G. Bolsius has been appointed Vice-Consul for Belgium, attached to the Consulate General in Hong Kong.

Mr. J. W. Agar, of Ulu Kesal Estate, Kelantan, and Mrs. Agar, have arrived in Kelantan after several months' holiday in Australia.

The wedding will take place at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, to-day (October 2) of Arthur George "Mumford" of Rongo Limited, Kuala Lumpur, to Marjorie Irene Grollet, of Singapore.

The engagement is announced of Dorothy, the third daughter of the late Mr. Robert and Mrs. Lindsay, of the Singapore Harbour Board, and Bernard Gallagher, of the Singapore Prisons Department and Birkenhead.

Dr. G. W. Theobald who arrived in Bangkok with Mrs. Theobald by the "Kola" is the newly appointed visiting obstetrician and gynecologist for the Faculty of Medicine and will be stationed at the Siriraj Hospital. Dr. Theobald came from Siam.—"B. Times."

Miss M. Stratton, nursing sister, General Hospital, Singapore, has left for furlough for India prior to retirement. A correspondent states that during her service in Singapore Miss Stratton showed a kindness and devotion to duty which won her the esteem of her colleagues and patients.

Mr. Brookes, an English assistant employed on Petrel estate at Batobahra, was attacked by a Javanese estate labour with a knife when the former attempted to separate two Javanese who were fighting. Mr. Brookes received three wounds. The matter is being taken up by the police.

Singapore, Sept. 22.—On Friday, the Hon. Mr. J. Lorrie is to be presented with a valedictory address by the personnel of the local Land Office on relinquishing the post of Commissioner of Lands, S.S., to be acting Resident of Selangor. He will be in Kuala Lumpur for the opening of the Federal Council on Monday. His soon-to-be-taken-up residence, Mr. Bartlett, will come from Kuala Lumpur after his departure.

Madras, Sept. 14.—The Advisory Committee on Madras Development recommend to the Ministry of the British Empire Fair, to be held in London. The Local Government have called for estimates of the expenditure in participation.

Madras, Sept. 15.—It is noticed that travellers proceeding to Ceylon, who are not permanent residents of Ceylon or India and not British subjects, must provide themselves with valid passports to avoid detention at Dhanushkodi and the possibility of being refused permission to land in Ceylon.

The Japanese Government is reported unofficially to have decided to grant financial assistance to the extent of Yen 10,000,000 per annum for the next 10 years to the proposed aerial transportation company which is to come under the Department of Communications and commence operations in 1928.

Employees of the Chinese telegraph Administration are opposing the appointment by the Ministry of Communications in Peking of Mr. Sun Ying-pu as Huipan (Associate Director) of the local Administration. They say that their wages are at present in arrears and that it is useless to appoint a new man with a salary \$240 monthly.

London, Sept. 13.—The Australian Ladies' Pipe Band, which is visiting Scotland in connection with the Braemar gathering, was involved in a motor accident at Bowring, near Glasgow. The party were enjoying a trip in five private cars, when the steering gear of the leader went wrong. The motor behind crashed into the first and both were wrecked. Two men and one woman were killed, while two women were injured.

Madras, Sept. 14.—There was a tragic sequel to the broken engagement of Milly Figeroa, an Anglo-Indian girl of 20, who was hacked to death by Gonsalves, an unemployed Anglo-Indian, who is alleged to be her lover. It appears that the accused had paid attentions to the girl for some time, but the engagement was objected to by the girl's parents. This morning, while on her way to the M.S.M. Railway Stores, where she was employed, the girl was attacked by Gonsalves with a big knife. After the murder he escaped, keeping at bay his pursuers on the road by brandishing his knife. The Police arrested him later.

The All-Ceylon Motor and General Engineering Exhibition, organised by the Automobile Club of Ceylon, will be opened on January 6, 1927, by His Excellency the Governor, and it will continue for ten days. Arrangements for the coming Exhibition, which will be held on a site opposite the Public Hall, are on a far larger scale than in any previous year and the Show is likely to prove a record in every respect. The 1921 Exhibition, held in Victoria Park, was the biggest of kind held in Ceylon, but the forthcoming Exhibition will be three times as large as the 1921 Exhibition.

The movement of a large quantity of military supplies for the Allied Army of Marshal Sun Chuan-fang occurred during the week-end, when 120 chests containing pistols and revolvers, 600,000 rounds of small arm ammunition, several cannon and a load of food-stuffs were sent to Nanking.

Shanghai, September 13.—Great consternation was caused in local Chinese circles by the decision of the Mixed Court to hand over to the Chinese authorities the eight youths who were arrested during the demonstration on September 7, as well as the Cantonese General who was arrested lately on a charge of alleged conspiracy against the Nanking government.

Although "White Australia" is the slogan of that country, it is yet fair-minded enough to realise that whatever race subject to British rule has settled there and become eligible for citizenship, is entitled to a fair deal. The law in Australia provides that for every child born the mother is to receive five pounds sterling. A bill has now been passed providing that this maternity allowance should also be extended to Asiatic women who are British subjects living in Australia.

Autumn sacrifices will be offered on October 6 to Kuan-ti, the God of War, and to the spirit of Yoh Fei, famous general of the Sung Dynasty, who is regarded as the most famous warrior in Chinese history. Dr. V. K. Ting, Director of the Port of Shanghai, will be represented by Col. Wang Yah-chi, commander of the 18th Chekiang Regiment, as master of ceremonies and he will be assisted by General Yen Chin-yang, Commissioner of Shanghai and Woosung Police. Local officials and leading merchants will attend.

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## A WEEK'S PAPERS IN ONE.

## OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

## OUTSTANDING EVENTS.

This week's events of outstanding interest were the disastrous typhoon and Canton's official announcement of the termination of the boycott.

Folks at home often see and hear a great deal about the havoc of cyclones in this part of the world. What better than to send them a realistic account of your experiences on Monday, coupled with the vivid descriptions in the "Overland China Mail"? All the articles in the daily edition of local interest are reproduced. Instead of having to write a tiresome letter about what actually happened the best alternative is to send a copy of the paper specially designed for the use of friends, relatives and former residents.

## IS THE BOYCOTT OVER?

In a few days it will be possible to tell whether the boycott has ended. All the steps leading up to the decision by the Canton Government—together with official communiques—are included in this week's issue. Readers are also told about the effects in Canton and Hong Kong and what is being done in anticipation of the return to normal conditions.

## "ALL THE NEWS."

As usual, there is not a cable on China or other local topical report omitted. Among news of more importance are:—Outrages of missionaries of the China Inland Mission foreigners in pirate hands, peril to men on British steamers and warships, latest war developments, &c.

Other items include:—Weddings (with photographs), sport, correspondence on various subjects, Court trials, &c.

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## SPORTS SECTION

## TRAINING TIMES.

THIS MORNING'S HEAVY GOING.

POOR TIMES RETURNED.

Training gallops were carried out this morning, in occasional drizzle. The course was heavy, wet and holding. As was only to be expected, times were comparatively poor. Taking conditions as they were, a few ponies returned fairly good times.

The majority of trainers were content to send their charges over a mile or 10 furlongs, beginning slowly and showing off their paces at the finish.

Times as taken were:

Lady Luck (Mr. Raza) 1½ miles: 42.1.22. 2.00. 2.38. 3.1½. 3.50. 4.24. (last qr. 33.0).  
Rayfield (boy) ½ mile: 40. 1.14.4 (last qr. 34.4).  
Rothesay (boy) 1 mile: 42. 1.22.2. 1.50. 2.31.2 (last qr. 32.2).  
Loch Rannoch (boy) 1 mile: 35.4. 1.21.3. 2.02.1. 2.03. (last qr. 38.2).  
September (Mr. Brodie) 1½ miles: 45. 1.24.4. 2.04. 2.38.3. 3.10.2 (last qr. 31.4).  
Beldorney Star (Mr. Stanton) ¾ miles: 43. 1.23.1. 1.55. (last qr. 35.4).  
The Sand Piper ¼ mile: 41. 1.18. 1.51.2 (last qr. 32.2).  
Fireworks (Mr. Gordon) 1 mile: 42. 1.28. 2.11. 2.44 (last qr. 33.).  
Total Abstinence (boy) 1½ miles: 44.4. 1.24.2. 2.05.2. 2.42.3. 3.15. (last qr. 32.2).

## OUR NEXT TEST TEAM.

Collins Suggests English Names for 1928.

London, Sept. 17.

H. L. Collins, referring to England's cricket team to go to Australia in 1928 to defend "the Ashes," mentioned M. D. Lyon, Parsons, K. S. Dulspurinji, H. J. Enthoven, Larwood, Hammond, Geary, Hallows, G. T. S. Stevens, Holmes, and said Australia would be looking forward to A. P. F. Chapman leading the team.

Collins also said that Strudwick had always given the finest display in the Tests, but the time would come when England must look for his successor. W. E. Franklin was one of the finest wicket-keepers England ever possessed.

## HOW THEY STAND.

"LATER" HOME CRICKET AVERAGES.

## THOSE WHO SHONE.

Further particulars are now to hand regarding the Home first-class cricket averages for the season:

	Runs Avge.
Hobbs	2,949 77.60
Sutcliffe	2,528 66.52
E. Tyldesley (3rd)	2,826 64.22
Hendren	2,643 62.92
Mead	2,326 62.86
Hearne	1,384 51.25
Chapman	1,381 51.14
Woolley (11th)	2,183 46.44
Kilner	1,187 37.09

Rhodes Best All Rounder.

Rhodes knocks the youngsters in all-round display, for in addition to heading the bowling averages, he scored 1,132 runs with an average of 34.30 per innings.

Maurice Tate is a good second to him in this respect, his figures being (in batting) 1,347 runs with an average of 32.07 per innings, and (in bowling) 147 wickets at 17.51 apiece.

A. W. Carr's drop in form reflected in his humble 1,236 runs, with an average of 29.42 per innings.

The second place in the bowling averages is taken by Mercer, the Glamorganite.

The following represent the best bowling averages:

	Wkts. Avge.
Rhodes	115 14.86
Mercer	136 16.46
E. Tyldesley	128 16.86
Tate	147 17.51
Macaulay	134 17.78
Larwood	187 18.31
Parker	213 18.40
A. E. Gilligan	76 20.67

## THE AUSTRALIANS.

The complete Australian averages for first-class matches are:

	Batting	Runs Avge.
Woodfull	1,672 57.65	
Macartney	1,561 53.82	
Ponsford	901 40.95	
Bardsley	1,424 40.80	
Andrews	1,234 38.56	
Gregory	843 35.12	
Ryder	966 34.50	
Richardson	728 33.09	
Ellis	322 32.20	
Collins	779 29.96	
Taylor	760 22.35	
Oidfield	— 18.98	
Grimmett	— 14.36	
Everett	— 12.88	
Mailey	— 5.85	

	Bowling	Wkts. Avge.
Grimmett	106 17.68	
Macartney	49 17.81	
Mailey	126 19.34	
Richardson	49 19.71	
Collins	6 28.16	
Gregory	36 32.16	
Everett	17 32.76	
Andrews	7 34.28	
Ryder	28 36.82	

## V.R.C. AQUATIC SPORTS.

The first heats in the V.R.C. annual aquatic sports are to be held at 5.30 p.m. to-morrow (220 yards and 100 yards back stroke, both championships).

Further heats are to be held on Monday at 5.30 p.m. in:—(440 yards and 100 yards breast stroke championship, 100 yards boys' championships).

Entries closed yesterday at 6 p.m., and, while the number is below average, this is not expected to interfere with the success of the meeting.

## CLUB DE RECREIO.

## ANNUAL AQUATIC SPORTS FEATURES.

The third annual aquatic gala of the Club de Recreio is to be held on Sunday, October 10, at the V.R.C., beginning at 2.30 p.m.

There are nine events in the programme open to members of the Portuguese community, and six events confined to members of the club.

The various events to be decided are:—

Open to Portuguese community:—50 yards handicap (school boys); 100 yards championship (school boys); 100 yards championship; 100 yards variety stroke; High dive; Long plunge; Water polo; 100 yards handicap (members of V.R.C.); 50 yards consolation race.

Open to members:—100 yards handicap; 50 yards handicap; pillow fight; Diving for plates; Ladies' nomination; Team race.

## LEFT "ASHES" BEHIND.

London, Sept. 16.

The betting on the Cesarewitch (2½ miles, at Newmarket, October 13) is as follows:—

10 to 1 against Fox Law;

100 to 7 against Glommen;

100 to 6 against Perfect Son;

20 to 1 against Templeswote and Turnesol;

25 to 1 against Miss Sport and Winalot.

All these odds have been taken and are offered.

For the Cambridge (9 furlongs, at Newmarket, October 15) 100 to 6 on the field is offered.

Later prices.

London, Sept. 16.

The betting on the Cesarewitch is as follows:—

100 to 8 against Glommen;

100 to 6 against Templeswote;

20 to 1 against Forsey;

25 to 1 against Mendoza.

The betting on the Cambridge is as follows:—

100 to 6 against Oojah;

100 to 6 against Embargo;

20 to 1 against St. Fortunat;

25 to 1 against Asturias.

All these prices were taken and offered.

A Coronach Rumour.

London, Sept. 19.

Racing circles were disappointed

over a morning report that Coronach would not run in the Jockey Club Stakes, where he

would have met the brilliant Solaris, but Lord Woolavington has stated that nothing has yet been decided concerning Coronach.

Note: On Thursday, Solaris was beaten by Foxlaw and Coronach is not mentioned as having run in the race.]

The party sailed from Liverpool this afternoon on board the Canadian Pacific liner "Montrose" for Quebec. They are due in Sydney on November 13.—Reuter.

Parting Words.

Rugby, Oct. 1.

The Australians were welcomed

by the Mayor of Birkenhead and in

reply, Mr. Sydney Smith, their

manager, said: "We have lost the

'Ashes' but it is our hope that we

have done something to cement the

good relations between Australia

and the Home country. I am cer-

tain that not one of our team is

going away without a feeling of re-

gret and sorrow."—British Wireless Service.

They were seen off at Paddington by Lord Hampden, Lord Harris, Messrs. P. F. Warner and H. D. G. Leveson-Gower and a large and enthusiastic crowd.

The party sailed from Liverpool this afternoon on board the Canadian Pacific liner "Montrose" for Quebec. They are due in Sydney on November 13.—Reuter.

Total.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Macdonald ..... 4 for 73

Sibbles ..... 3 for 43

A. Woolley ..... 0 for 16

Idion ..... 0 for 14

Lancashire—1st innings.

Makepeace, b Larwood ..... 43

Hallows, l.b.w. b Rhodes ..... 73

E. Tyldesley, b Larwood ..... 17

Watson, b Larwood ..... 0

Iddon, st Strudwick, b Rhodes ..... 6

Sibbles, c Strudwick, b Geary ..... 3

Major L. Green, not out ..... 4

Macdonald, b Tate ..... 0

E. Tyldesley, b Tate ..... 3

A. Woolley, b Tate ..... 10

Duckworth, l.b.w. b Tate ..... 0

Extras ..... 18

Total ..... 177

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Larwood ..... 3 for 61

Tate ..... 4 for 40

Geary ..... 1 for 27

Stevens ..... 0 for 14

Rhodes ..... 2 for 17

The Rest—2nd innings.

Hobbs, c Makepeace, b Sibbles ..... 62

Sutcliffe, c Macdonald, b Iddon ..... 136

Watson, b Hallows, not out ..... 172

Hendren, b not out ..... 77

Extras ..... 21

Total (for 2 wkts. dec.) 468

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Macdonald ..... 0 for 113

Sibbles ..... 1 for 87

A. Woolley ..... 0 for 99

E. Tyldesley ..... 0 for 53

Iddon ..... 1 for 96

Lancashire—2nd innings.

Makepeace, c Strudwick, b Larwood ..... 2

Hallows, c Woolley, b Tate ..... 7

E. Tyldesley, l.b.w. b Tate ..... 1

Watson, b Stevens ..... 16

Iddon, st Strudwick, b Stevens ..... 24

Sibbles, c Strudwick, b Geary ..... 25

Green, c Woolley, b Stevens ..... 11

Macdonald, c Geary, b Stevens ..... 0

E. Tyldesley, b Stevens ..... 10

Woolley, c Hendren, b Stevens ..... 4

Duckworth, b Tate ..... 19

Extras ..... 6

Total ..... 134

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Larwood ..... 1 for 7

Tate ..... 3 for 49

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## CANTON'S POLITICAL AND MILITARY LEADERS OF TO-DAY.



Mr. Eugene Chen (Chen Yu-jen), acting Foreign Minister, whose despatches are now familiar to Hong Kong.



Commander-in-chief Chang Kai-shek, in his military uniform.



M. Borodin, the Russian High Adviser to the Canton Government.



Mr. Sun Fo, son of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, who opposes the settlement of the boycott. An ex-Mayor.



General Li Chai-sum, commanding the 4th Nationalist Army and acting commander-in-chief of Home Defence. Some of his troops are at the northern front.



The most recent photograph of Canton's "soldier of the hour." He is wearing the conventional long gown of the Chinese gentleman. Note the Dictator's exceptionally broad shoulders.



Mrs. Liao Chung-kai (or Ho Heung-yin), whose husband was assassinated last year. She is head of the Women's Bureau of the Kuomintang.



General Li Chung-jen, 7th Army, near Hankow.



General Ching Chien, 8th Army, on Kiangsi front.



General Chu Pei-teh, commanding the 3rd Nationalist (former Yunnanese) Army, whose men have been engaged on a sector of the Kiangsi front.



General Wong Shiu-hung, governor of Kwangsi. He was in charge at Wu-chow when the British Navy closed the port. He negotiated with the S.N.O. about providing pilots.



Major-General Cheung Pat-fui, 12th division (4th Army), who also won honour in the great drive.



Major-General Chau Ming-shu, 10th division (4th Army) who distinguished himself in the assault on Wu-Han.



Lt.-Gen. Wang Pah-ling, commanding the 1st division of crack Cadets on whose young shoulders has fallen the mantle of Chang Kai-shek as leader of the 1st Army.



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## SEIGMUND'S PAGE

## QUITE A NOVELTY,

Solve this first without looking at the solution—that is, if you can!

Stand take to taking.  
I you throw my

Solution:—I understand you undertake to overthrow my undertaking.

## STRIKING!

Strike me if you will.  
Treat me with disdain.  
Burn me, break me, still—  
Your equal I remain.  
What am I?

Answer:—A match.

## TONGUE TWISTERS.

Say these as quickly as you can:—

Strange strategic statistics.  
Sarah in a shawl shovelled soft snow slowly.

A couple of cups of coffee in a copper coffee-pot.

The sea ceaseth, and it sufficeth us.

Smith's flask split Philip's sixth sister's fifth squirrel's skull.

## SHORT TURNS &amp; ENCORES.

Although flies are supposed to be polite, I found one bathing in my tea the other morning—with out a crustume on!

It is regrettable to note that many shops are encouraging burglary. I saw this notice on display quite recently: "Any article may be taken from the window."

## CLEAR AS MUD!

Twas midnight on the ocean,  
Not a tramcar was in sight,  
The sun and moon shone  
brightly,  
While it rained all day that night.

For in the summer snowstorm  
When the rain flowed just  
like glass,  
A barefoot boy with shoes on  
Stood sitting on the grass.

## WEIRD ADVERTISEMENTS.

Wanted, a room, by two gentle-

men, thirty feet long and  
twenty feet broad.

Bulldog for sale. Will eat any-  
thing, fond of children.  
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suitable for gentleman with  
folding doors.

Lost, near Cathedral, umbrella  
belonging to a foreign gentle-  
man, with a bent rib and a  
bone handle.

## SOME RIDDLES.

What instrument of war does  
the earth resemble?—A revolver.  
Why is the sea cunning?—Be-  
cause it is full of craft.

What coloured letters do we  
eat?—Green peas.

Why is a newsboy never cold?  
Because selling newspapers  
keeps up the circulation.

Which travels faster:—heat or  
cold?—Heat, because you can  
catch cold.

Why should a doctor keep his  
temp?—Because if he doesn't  
he will lose his patients  
(patients).

Can February March?—No, but  
April May.

What is it if you take away all  
its letters still remains the same?  
—A postman.

Why is an author the queerest  
animal in the world?—Because  
his tail (tale) comes out of his  
head.

Why is a tight shoe like the Sun-  
mer Sun?—Because it makes the  
corn grow.

When is it dangerous for a  
burglar to eat bread?—When a  
policeman is on the loaf.

The solution to last week's  
word-square puzzle is as  
under:—

E	S	C	A	P	E
S	T	O	V	E	S
C	O	V	E	R	T
A	V	E	N	U	E
P	E	R	U	S	E
E	S	T	E	E	M

## DID YOU KNOW THAT?

The Bible contains 31,102  
verses?

Most dogs are fully grown  
when a year old?

Newspapers were first printed  
in Britain in 1622.

Bricks were introduced into  
England by the Romans?

It is good manners amongst  
the Arabs to make as much noise  
as possible while eating?

The sea cucumber shrivels it-  
self up to almost nothing when  
attacked by an enemy?

## LIMERICKS AGAIN!

I wish to thank "Joan" again,  
this time for the following  
limericks.

There was a young man of Bor-  
deaux  
Whose voice was as hoarse as a  
creak;

He went to the Zoo,  
And they took him in, too,  
So now he's a fixture—What  
heaux!

An ambitious young salesman  
named Weast.  
Used to feed himself mainly on  
yeast;

For he said, "You'll surmise,  
I am hoping to rise;  
So I mean to get started at  
least."

There once was a person named  
Carr.

Who caught the 3.3 to Forfar;  
"For," said he, "I believe,  
That the 3.3 does leave  
Far before the 4.4 for Forfar."

## RECIPES DE LUXE.

Unfortunately, the cookery  
which I expected to arrive a  
few days ago, failed to catch that  
mail. So I am not able to give  
you any recipes from it this week;  
but, however, I have chosen the  
following four delights from a  
feminine journal instead. I do  
hope you will like them.

Knights on Pontoons.

Required:—2 egg yolks, 1 cupful  
milk, ½ teaspoonful salt,  
bread.

Cut slices of stale white bread  
one-fourth inch thick. Cut off the  
crusts and trim into shape.

Beat together the egg yolks, milk,  
and salt; pour over the bread, and  
let soak for a few minutes. Fry  
in a hot buttered pan to a golden  
brown.

Arrange on a platter and place a  
teaspoonful of jelly in the  
centre of each piece. Serve hot.  
Apple Pancakes.

Required:—6 to 8 apples, 1  
cupful flour, 1 cupful milk, 3 eggs,  
1 tablespoonful sugar, ½ tea-  
spoonful salt.

Mix and sift together the flour,  
sugar, and salt. Beat the eggs  
with the milk and add to the  
other mixture. Pare and cut the  
apples crosswise, removing the  
cores. Place in a greased pan a  
single layer of the apples, fry for  
a minute; then pour over the ap-  
ples just enough batter to cover  
the bottom of the pan; fry for a  
few minutes; turn and fry on the  
other side. Repeat the process,  
and place two or three cakes on  
the top of each other, sprinkle  
with sugar, and serve.

Paprika Veal or Beef Goulash.

Required:—4 pounds veal or  
beef, 1 cupful butter or other fat,  
3 large onions, 1 teaspoonful salt,  
1 tablespoonful paprika, soups-  
tock or water, flour, 2 or 3 table-  
spoonfuls cream.

Melt the fat in an iron pot, and  
add the meat, cut in square pieces,  
and the finely-chopped onions, and  
fry to a golden brown; stir in the  
paprika and salt. Cover and let it  
slowly simmer, add the soup-stock  
or water from time to time, and  
stir in a pinch of flour at inter-  
vals to produce a rich and rather  
thick sauce. Cook slowly for one  
and one-half hour, and when nearly  
done add the two or three table-  
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Fruit Salad à la Etats D'unis.

Required:—3 medium oranges,  
1 cupful strawberries, ¾ cupful  
pineapple, cut in pieces, ½ cupful  
walnuts, paprika, French  
dressing, lettuce.

Pare the oranges and cut crosswise  
into 1/8-inch slices. Remove the seeds, if  
any, and cut away the membrane  
from the centre, being careful to  
keep the slices in perfect shape.

Place 3 slices on a crisp lettuce  
leaf on top of each other. Mix  
the strawberries, pineapple, and  
nut-meats together. Cover the  
top slice of orange with the fruit  
mixture. Sprinkle with the  
French dressing (allowing about  
3 tablespoonsful for each individ-  
ual plate of salad) and paprika.

When this sweet salad is served  
as dessert it is not needed.

## 1 MORE MARVEL.

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"Press" for Letters.

We stand to-day at the  
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At a great central station will be  
operators with illuminated  
screens before them. They will  
send up pilotless planes carrying  
urgent letters.

These machines will fit here and there guided by  
the operators who will see on  
their magic screens exactly where  
each machine is from moment to

## IS ANYTHING NEW?

Bending Glass 5000 Years  
Ago.

Two splendid inventions of the  
last few years, stainless metal  
and unbreakable glass have been  
found to be nothing new after all.

A writer in our weekly friend,  
Nature, who has been studying  
the matter, has discovered a state-  
ment to the effect that in A.D.  
829 El Mamoun, son of Haroun-  
al-Raschid, after succeeding in  
making an entry into the tomb of  
Cheops and the West Pyramid of  
Gizeh, found treasures containing  
instruments of iron and vessels  
of earth, with "arms" which rust  
not, and with glass that might be  
bended and not broken.

It is generally believed that the  
Pyramids were built about 3900  
B.C., which means that rustless  
steel and flexible glass were prob-  
ably known to the ancient Egyp-  
tians more than five thousand  
years ago!

Lost secrets are like lost causes.  
—Mr. Middleton Murray.

Many years ago, during a naval  
fight between Brazil and Uruguay,  
round Dutch cheeses were used as  
ammunition for the guns! Bread,  
however, was not fired out with  
the day's meals.

A tomtit eats about 9,000 butter-  
flies eggs a day, and the mother  
tomtit catches on an average  
40,000 caterpillars to feed her  
children. This easily beats the  
record of a sparrow family, which  
uses a mere 5,000 caterpillars in  
the day's meals.

moment. At the pressure of a  
button by these wizards in the  
control station the pilotless ma-  
chines will drop bags of maize,  
which will come floating down  
supported by parachutes.

Letters at 500 Miles an Hour.

The experts who have concen-  
trated on this subject say that we  
shall be able to flash express let-  
ters between London and Paris in  
less than an hour. They declare  
that as between America and  
Europe, automatic mail-carriers,  
like stream-lined projectiles,  
reaching heights of ten and  
twelve miles above the surface of  
the ocean, will eventually reach  
maximum speeds as great as, or  
even exceeding 500 miles an hour!

Ten miles a minute 12 miles  
high! Think of it! Think what  
it will mean to human intercourse,  
to the acceleration of the world's  
business, when urgent mails can  
be finished between Europe and  
the United States in hours instead  
of days, when a wirelessly-directed  
mailplane, with no human hand  
at its controls, covers distance at  
such a pace that it spans the At-  
lantic in eight hours!

Charting the Upper Air.

An all-important feature of this  
new research will be the accurate  
charting of the speed and trend of  
winds which blow at immense  
heights.

One method of aerial sounding  
for this purpose is to send up  
manless balloons carrying instru-  
ments which, when a balloon  
reaches Earth again, record the  
height it had attained and the  
strength of the winds which it  
passed through at various alti-  
tudes. Another way of finding  
out these things is for a pilot to  
ascend as high as he can in an  
airplane and make personal ob-  
servations. With balloon soundings  
much valuable work has been  
done.

Flying 15 Miles Above the Earth.

One small pilotless balloon re-  
cently reached a height of over  
20 miles. It has been shown al-  
ready that miles above the  
Earth's surface the wind attains  
a force greater than any known in  
any gale that sweeps over land  
and sea.

We stand to-day at the  
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These machines will fit here



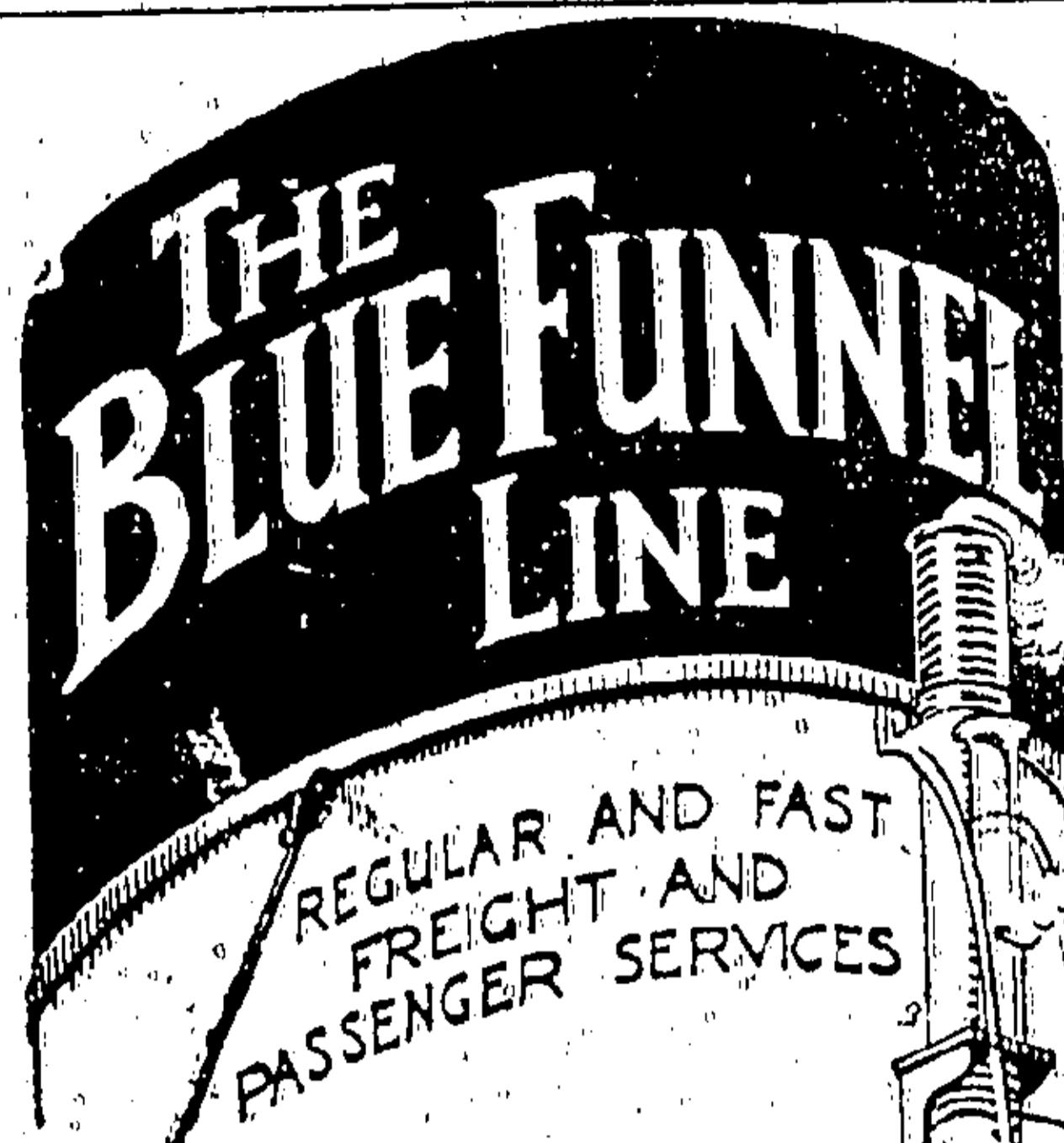
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### NOTICE.

With reference to the Regulation published in the "Gazette" of the 10th September, concerning the issue of receiving station licences under the Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance, 1926, it has been decided that the present arrangements will be allowed to continue until the 1st December, 1926, and that receiving station licences will not be insisted upon until 1st January, 1927.

Application for the grant of receiving station licences may be made to the Postmaster-General on or after 1st November, 1926, and any licences issued between 1st November and 31st December, 1926, will take effect as from 1st January, 1927.

Wireless Service between Hongkong and Canton is resumed.

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Hollow and Halpham		
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Amoy		
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4.		
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu "U.S.A.",		
Australia, C. & S. America		
*EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO		
CISCO de San Francisco 1st		
Nov. Registration 8.15 a.m.		
Letters 10.30 a.m.		
*Sikhs and Calcutta (Parcels) Noon		
Letters 1 p.m.		
Sikhs, Ceylon, India, Mauritius,		
E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe		
via Marseilles—due Marseilles		
3rd Nov. Registration 1.45 p.m.		
Letters 2.30 p.m.		
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5.		
Foaming	10.30 a.m.	
Klang	2.30 p.m.	
Hongkong	3.30 p.m.	
Empress of Asia	3.30 p.m.	
Canning	5 p.m.	
Tai-han		
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6.		
Tai-han	8.30 a.m.	
Bangkok	11.30 a.m.	
Formosa		
Manila		
Shanghai		
Hollow and Halpham		
Java via Batavia		

\*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

## COBHAM HOME.

(Continued from Page 7.)

ing forward with a large financial contribution that the necessary funds were secured for Mr. Cobham's flight, and it was in acknowledgement of this that the flight was officially called "The Sir Charles Wakefield flight to Australia."

### An Affecting Meeting.

As Mr. Cobham landed from the launch Mrs. Cobham, accompanied by the Speaker of the House of Commons and Sir Samuel Hoare, descended from the platform and advanced to meet him. There was an affecting meeting between Mrs. Cobham and her husband. Tremendous cheering broke out from the assemblage on the Terrace and the spectators on Westminster Bridge and the Thames Embankments. Mr. Cobham was then warmly greeted with many hearty handshakes.

### Message from the King.

Sir Samuel Hoare opened the formal reception by reading the following message from the King:

"On your safe return from Austria, offer you a cordial welcome and congratulate you heartily on the successful termination of yet another historic flight."

Sir Samuel Hoare proceeded to offer "the welcome" of the British people to Mr. Cobham and to Sergeant Wood and Mr. Capel, his mechanics. He said that he was glad to welcome them on the Terrace of the House of Commons—one of the most historic sites and centres of the British Empire. For generations past men who had served the State had been received there year after year, but this was a unique occasion for the Palace of Westminster was now receiving one of the greatest pilot pioneers of the Empire.

After paying a tribute to Mr. Cobham's achievements not only in this flight to Australia, but in his previous flights to India and South Africa, the Air Minister said that was not all that Cobham had done. "I venture to say that as pilot he has succeeded where politicians sometimes fail by bringing the peoples of the Empire more closely together both in body and in mind."

He concluded with words of sympathy for the mother of Mr. Elliott, the mechanic, who, when accompanying Mr. Cobham, was shot by an Arab at Basra.

### Cobham Interviewed.

In an interview later Mr. Cobham emphasised that the whole purpose of his flight was to demonstrate that aviation was no longer a mere hazardous adventure, but a serious commercial proposition. Even the difficulties encountered during the flight had proved valuable from this viewpoint for they had shown that with adequate and sure safeguards, they could be surmounted. Throughout the whole journey there had been no delay due to machine or engine failure in spite of the fact that they had not had a complete overhaul since leaving Britain. His progress had been hindered only by other uncontrollable causes, such as the sad tragedy that befell him in the loss of his former mechanic the search for seaplane bases in the Persian Gulf, and adverse weather.

### Burma's "Damper."

Referring to the weather off Burma's coast on the Homeward journey he said that he never experienced such rain, four or five inches falling daily for five days. He had been most unfortunate, for he had struck the worst storm of the monsoon period and, try as he would, he could not get behind it. But in those localities even small boats were sometimes as much as 48 hours late, and there was nothing to do but wait for storms to subside, although, with adequate telegraphic and wireless communication, much could be done to assist aerial navigation. Even storms, however, had put them in possession of most valuable data for future use.

Interest on the Route.

Mr. Cobham said that throughout the whole journey he found the keenest interest displayed in the prospects of a commercial air route being opened, and particularly down the Malay Peninsula from Calcutta to Singapore—there were hundreds of ideal seaplane bases. He anticipates, however, that neither seaplanes nor aeroplanes will in future be used exclusively on the route to Australia. He anticipates that travellers will go by rail to Marseilles, boat to Cairo,

## FRENCH BANKS.

### ACTIVITIES IN THE FAR EAST.

#### FRANCO-CHINESE SHARES.

Paris, Oct. 1.

An interesting passage appears in the report presented at the meeting of the Societe Francaise de la Banque Industrielle de Chine, in which the directors expressed satisfaction that the credit of the Franco-Chinese Bank had strengthened and its activities in the Far East had increased, following a satisfactory settlement with Far East creditors."

The Chairman explained, however, that there could be no question of transforming a de facto substitution into a de jure; and, replying to a shareholder, he added that the question of exchanging Banque Industrielle de Chine shares for Franco-Chinese Bank shares could not be contemplated for some time.—Reuter.

### BONDS STOLEN.

#### DARING AFFAIR IN PARIS.

Paris, October 1.

A case containing 1,500 Chinese Loan Bonds, valued at £15,000 sterling, was stolen from a van in the Avenue De Lopers during the absence of the driver.

It is understood that the numbers of the missing securities have been telegraphed to banks in London and other centres, where they may be offered for sale.—Reuter.

The stolen Chinese securities, mentioned earlier, are valued at two million francs, and were en route to the Gare St. Lazare for despatch to a Hong Kong bank.

The case was discovered missing when the van arrived at the station. Fortunately, the securities cannot be disposed of in France.—Reuter.

Aeroplane to Karachi, rail to Calcutta, seaplane to Port Darwin and aeroplane to across Australia, but he was not sure that lighter-than-air machines would not be more suitable for some sections of the route.

Australia to the Fore.

He believes that in Australia there is an immense future for aviation, particularly by privately owned small machines, which will link up isolated districts. Already aeroplanes are being brought into use on some of the large sheep stations, and the membership of Aeroplane Clubs in the capital cities is rapidly growing.—British Wireless Service.

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